Abstract of the Disclosure

A catheter braid can be formed from at least two continuous wires that are woven together. The catheter braid can include a proximal braid section and a distal braid section. Each of the continuous wires has a proximal diameter corresponding to the proximal braid section and a distal diameter corresponding to the distal braid section.

The distal diameter of each wire can be less than the proximal diameter of that wire. A catheter braid so formed can be included in a catheter.

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